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FEDERAL CIVIL DEFENSE ADMINISTRATION Washington, D. C.

FCDA DELEGATION NO. 1

By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 201 (b) of the Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950 (64 Stat. 1248), and in the interest of the development of the National Civil Defense Program contemplated by the said act, including action in support of the States during a civil-defense emergency, I hereby delegate to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare the following-described responsibilities:

- 1. Plan a national program, develop technical guidance for States, and direct Federal activities concerned with financial assistance for the temporary relief or aid of civilians injured or in want as the result of attack.
- 2. Plan, program, and develop technical guidance for the States and direct Federal activities concerned with the acquisition, transportation, and payment for clothing of civilians in want as a result of attack.
- 3. Plan a national program, develop technical guidance for States, and direct Federal civil-defense activities concerned with research with respect to, and detection, identification, and control of: (1) communicable diseases in humans, (2) biological warfare against humans; (3) chemical warfare against humans, and (4) other public health hazards.
- 4. Plan, develop, and direct Federal activities concerned with a national program designed to provide Public Health Service reserve professional personnel from support areas to those damaged by enemy attack.

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- 5. Plan, develop, and distribute through appropriate channels, training materials for incorporation in the curricula of schools and colleges throughout the United States in order to integrate the teaching, in all possible courses, of civil-defense skills, and knowledge and fundamentals of behavior during emergencies.
- 6. Plan, develop, and distribute, through appropriate channels, technical guidance concerning the provision of shelter and other protective measures, designed to minimize injury to personnel and reduce damage to vital functional components of educational institutions and hospitals and of water, sewer, and other public-health facilities.
- 7. Plan a national program, develop technical guidance for States and direct Federal activities concerned with the emergency restoration of community facilities essential to health or functional components thereof for which the Public Health Service normally has regular operating programs.
- 8. Plan a national program, conduct research, develop technical guidance for States, and direct Federal activities designed to meet the extraordinary needs for food and drug inspection and control in attacked areas.
- 9. During a civil defense emergency, employ temporarily additional personnel without regard to the civil-service laws and incur such obligations on behalf of the United States as may be required to meet the civil-defense requirements of an attack or of an anticipated attack.
- 10. Disseminate such civil-defense information as may be approved from time to time by the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

In carrying out its responsibilities hereunder, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare shall be governed by the following:

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- 1. The Federal Civil Defense Administrator shall provide basic assumptions, criteria, and standards relating to the said responsibilities and shall review and coordinate the carrying out of such responsibilities.
- 2. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare shall take into consideration assignments respecting mobilization preparedness measures made to it by the Office of Defense Mobilization.
- 3. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare as the agency having primary responsibility for the matters hereby delegated to it, shall undertake to coordinate directly with other Federal agencies concerned.
- 4. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare shall be responsible, after consultation with the Federal Civil Defense Administration, for requesting such appropriations as may be required for its delegated responsibilities.
- 5. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare shall make such reports as may be required by the Federal Civil Defense Administrator to insure consistency with national civil-defense policies and standards.

The provisions hereof shall become effective upon the date of approval by the President.

/s/

Val Peterson

Federal Civil Defense Administrator

Date: July 14, 1954

APPROVED: July 14, 1954

/s/

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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